

Important from Cairo

CAIRO, Oct. 21.—The steamer Catonhala was fired into by the Confederates, on Saturday morning, thirty miles below Memphis, and one man wounded. The steamer Gladiolus was attacked by a band of Confederates while loading cotton, twenty-five miles below Memphis, the same day. Two persons were killed and some wounded. The Confederates then fired the boat, but the flames were extinguished without doing much damage, and the boat escaped.

The Confederates continue to burn cotton in the neighborhood of Memphis.

It is said that Price has been reinforced by fifteen thousand Texans, and that more are arriving daily.

Steamers from Commerce, Mo., report all quiet there. The Confederates sacked the town, and carried off three thousand dollars' worth of goods and a number of horses.

A report is in circulation here to-day that the Confederates had attacked and captured Island No. 10—but the report is not believed.

From Harper's Ferry.

HARPER'S FERRY, Oct. 21, 9 P. M.—The Federal cavalry pickets have been extended two miles, and are some distance beyond Hamtown, now held by the Federal infantry. A balloon reconnaissance, last Monday night, discovered the Confederates this side of Charles-town. Deserters coming in report Jackson, with a large force still in the neighborhood of Bunker Hill.

Great dissatisfaction exists in the army respecting Order No. 154, authorizing regulars to fill up their regiments from those of volunteers.

The constitution of Illinois, and the statutes adopted in pursuance thereto, forbid the migration to and settlement in the State of negroes. They are forbidden to vote, sit upon juries, hold office, and to testify in causes where white persons are parties. Especially the common school law of the State are negro children prohibited from attending as pupils and enjoying the benefits of schools established for the benefit of white children.

A baggage train, of the Baltimore and Washington road, was yesterday proceeding south, in charge of Engineer William Reynolds, when a mile below the Relay House it was delayed upon by one of the guards there stationed to protect the road and trains, instantly killing the engineer above mentioned. The culprit is Eugene Dupays, of the One-hundred-and-eighteenth New York Regiment, who is under double guard. The testimony, as given by his companion, is that as the train approached, running but six miles an hour, the guilty party turned to this companion and said, "I am going to stop that train." He immediately picked up his gun and fired, the bullet entering the forehead and passing out of the back of the head, causing instant death.—Reynolds was one of the oldest and most capable engineers upon the road.

The approaching draft in New York, is a topic discussed with lively interest everywhere, as the time draws near for it to be enforced, the army of exempts, or persons claiming to be exempt, is steadily on the increase.

Mrs. Gen. McClellan and Mrs. Gen. Marcy left Harper's Ferry yesterday for Washington.

The N. Y. Herald, which, before the October elections announced that Gen. Wadsworth would carry the State of New York, now says: "The returns from Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana, reveal the fact that a strong conservative tide has set in, and that it is rolling onward with momentum, striking, sweeping everything before it. The revolution has been so overwhelming, that we now correct our 'Political Log,' and announce that we do not believe that Wadsworth can carry this State under any circumstances, but that he will be defeated by a large majority."

George U. Porter, Esq., Secretary of the Baltimore Board of Trade; S. J. Cox and Jacob Klasser, arrested in Baltimore for treason and confined in Fort Lafayette, have been released.

The Baltimore Sun says a lively business is being carried on in that city by parties procuring substitutes. Several offices have been opened, but the supply appears equal to the demand.

The first hog-head of the new crop of Kentucky tobacco sold in Louisville a few days ago for the handsome sum of \$25.25 per hundred.

The President has issued an order directing that all persons, who have been actually drafted, claiming exemption from military service on account of alienage, will make their applications directly to the Department of State or through their respective Ministers or Consuls.

The New York Evening Post, the most intellectual of the organs of the Republican party, states that that party, having accomplished the object for which it was formed—the abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia, and the prohibition of slavery in the territories—"has expired." The same paper is now discussing the question, "Has the Administration proved a failure?"

Andrew B. Dickinson has been appointed by the President as Marshal of the Northern district of New York, and Thomas H. Clay, of Kentucky, has been appointed Minister Resident to Nicaragua, in place of Mr. Dickinson.

In the matter of "the surrender of Harper's Ferry" the N. Y. Times seems to demand a victim, and cites the case of the surrender of the city of Grave, in the Netherlands, in the 16th century, for which Hemart was immediately court-martialed, condemned, and executed,—in illustration of what ought to be done now.

James Creighton, known among sporting men as the cleverest base ball pitcher in the United States, died on Saturday from injuries received on Wednesday last while assisting at a match between the Brooklyn and Union Clubs, at Morrisiana.

A Portuguese brig, the Acasco, has been chartered at Fayal to proceed to Flores, to take the prisoners released by the steamer Alabama to Boston.

The U. S. War Department, it is announced, has decided to allow drafted men a period of twenty days in which to procure substitutes.

The military Court called to investigate the surrender of Harper's Ferry is still delayed by the absence of Capt. Angelo Powell, the Judge Advocate not being able to procure his address; he is the last witness to be called.

Gen. Buell has telegraphed to Surgeon General Hammond that the whole number of wounded in the late battle at Perryville was 2,300.

MARRIED.

In Washington, on the 20th instant, by the Rev. Dr. Gurley, STRAFFORD EVANS, esq., to Miss HATTIE, daughter of the late Geo. D. Ashton, esq., of King George county, Va.

DIED.

In Baltimore, on the 20th inst., GEORGE W. CALVIN, aged 52 years.

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